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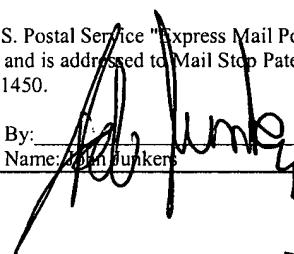
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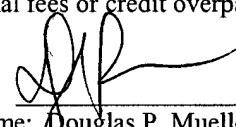
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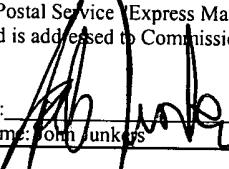
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Sirs:

Applicant hereby brings to the attention of the Examiner that reference EP 0 941 769 cited on Form 1449 dated January 28, 2002 for this application has a typographical error. Applicant is hereby submitting a Corrected Form 1449 requesting that the Examiner consider corrections.

Respectfully submitted,

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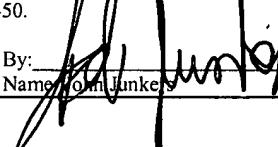
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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner. Applicant wishes to call the Examiner's attention to co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/226,582, filed August 23, 2002 and U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/700,830, filed November 20, 2000. U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/226,582 is a divisional of U.S. Patent 6,460,831.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted before the mailing date of a first Office Action on-the-merits. Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2), a copy of each document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided.

No representation is made that a reference is "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 and 103 and Applicants reserve the right, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 or otherwise, to establish that the reference(s) are not "prior art." Moreover, Applicants do not represent that a

reference has been thoroughly reviewed or that any relevance of any portion of a reference is intended.

Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2725.

Respectfully submitted,

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